

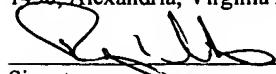


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In the application of: Gates, Jr. et al.)
Serial No. 10/799,827) Group Art Unit:
Filed: March 12, 2004)
For: ALUMINA COATING, COATED) Examiner:
PRODUCT AND METHOD OF MAKING)
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**PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR DRAWING
(37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2))**

1. This petition is for the acceptance of color drawings (37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2))
2. Attached hereto are three (3) sets of color drawings (FIG. 3 – Replacement Sheet).
3. A black and white photocopy of the drawing
4. Please amend the specification, by inserting the following language as the first paragraph of the specification beginning at the Brief Description of the Drawings (page 5 between line 1 and 2):

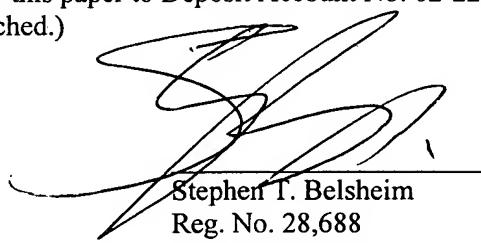
“The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of necessary fee.”

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5. The reason(s) for the need for color drawings or photographs in this application is/are as follows:

The colored coating layers in the color photomicrograph better illustrate the coating layers than in the black and white photomicrograph.

6. The petition fee required to waive the requirements of § 1.84 (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i)-\$130.00) was paid with Check No. 2284, and mailed with the new patent application on March 12, 2004. Hence, it is believed that additional fees are not necessary. However, if fees are needed, please charge any additional fees required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 02-2267.
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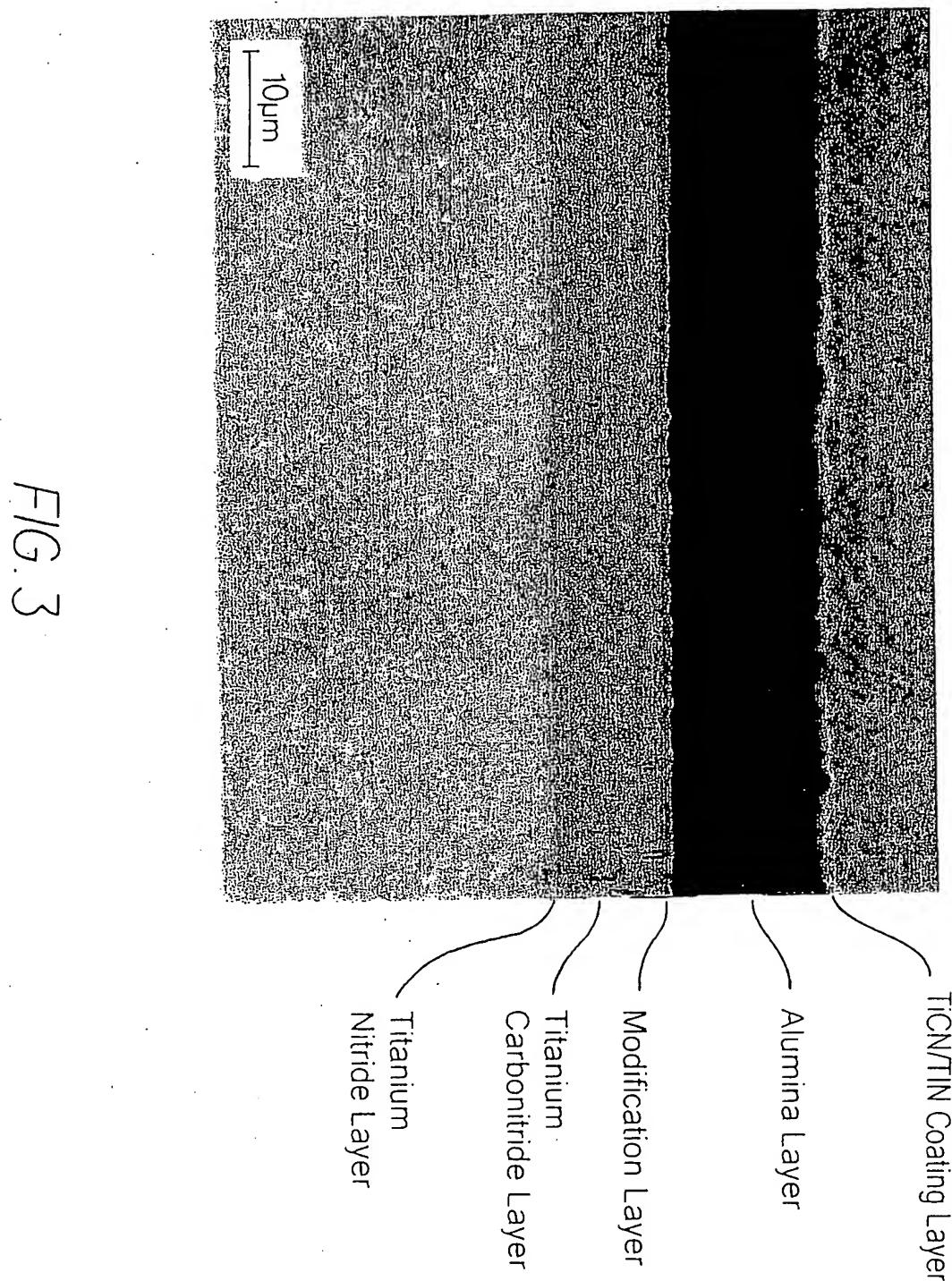
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